

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
YASUHIRO KUJIRAI ET AL. ) : Examiner: I. Rahimi  
Application No.: 09/840,894 ) : Group Art Unit: 2625  
Filed: April 25, 2001 ) : Conf. No.: 4470  
For: PRINT CONTROL APPARATUS )  
AND METHOD, AND PRINT ) :  
SYSTEM ) : August 21, 2006

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows, the changes to the claims being reflected in the listing that begins at page 2, and the Remarks beginning at page 9: